IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

JAMES R. WASHINGTON,

Petitioner,

**ORDER** 

v.

SUE NOVAK,

19-cv-119-bbc App. No. 21-01408

Respondent.

On February 11, 2021, the court dismissed the habeas petition filed by petitioner James R. Washington pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner has now filed a notice of appeal from that order and requests leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (Dkt # 44). The court cannot consider this request, however, because it lacks supporting documentation regarding petitioner's eligibility for indigent status. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2). For this appeal to proceed, petitioner must either pay the \$505 appellate docketing fee by April 14, 2021, or submit a certified inmate trust fund account statement (or institutional equivalent) for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of this appeal.

**ORDER** 

IT IS ORDERED that not later than April 14, 2021, petitioner James R. Washington shall pay the \$505 appellate docketing fee or submit a certified copy of an inmate trust fund account statement for the period beginning approximately August 11, 2020 through at least February 11, 2021. If petitioner fails to pay the \$505 appellate docketing fee, comply as directed, or show cause for failure to do so, then this appeal may be dismissed without further notice.

Entered this 24th day of March, 2021.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ PETER OPPENEER Magistrate Judge